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## GENERA OF THE DIPTEROUS TRIBE SARCOPHAGINI.

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The Sarcophaga type is most nearly related on the one hand with the Muscidae (Calliphoridae) and on the other hand with the Miltogramma and Metopia types. Through the Muscidae it is next related with the Stomoxydidae (Muscinae auct.) and through the Miltogramma type with the Calirrhoidae (Dexiinae auct.) and the Dexiidae (Pseudodexiidae BB). Brachicoma, Amobia and Tephromyia are types of tribes which belong in the family with Sarcophaga, and it is probably taxonomically expedient to include the Miltogramma and Metopia types in the same family.

Sarcophaga has long functioned as a catch-all generic name. As such, it means little. A genus can not be conceded by elimination, but must be recognized by definition. Sarcophaga has thus grown to be a taxonomic complex which demands untangling. The genitalic method of distinguishing the species has worked well in Europe, where the forms have been under observation long enough to link both sexes in most cases. In attacking the mass of comparatively unknown species in America, however, the task of separating them is better begun at the female end. Gravid females, captured in the open, will furnish larvae for the study of the three stages and rearing to the adults of both sexes. At one stroke this plan yields characters of all stages and both sexes. Study of the total characters for the species shows natural groups of species in this tangled mass of unlike forms.

The real problem which confronts us in the Sarcophaga complex is the elucidation of species groups or genera. It is first
all-important to know what species belong together. When these groups are properly segregated, the species can be studied to advantage. The elucidation of the genera carries with it a knowledge of both sexes of the component species, which is the necessary antecedent to the male genitalic separation of the forms. In the light of such study it is found that the complex has lodged many forms which can not be admitted to the tribe Sarcophagini.
Genera of Sarcophagini.
Males.
Abdomen absolutely devoid of pollinose covering, polished and shining ..... Peckia RD.
Abdomen always with more or less pollinose covering, not wholly shining ..... 2
2-One pair of proclinate fronto-orbitals ..... 3
No proclinate fronto-orbitals ..... 4
3-Parafacialia with at most a single row of fine hairs. Sarcophagula Wp.Parafacialia with two or more irregular rows of fine hairs
Sarothromyia BB.
4-All tibiae long-villous ..... 5
None of tibiae long-villous ..... 6
At least the hind tibiae long-villous, either thickly or thinly, but the front ones not ..... 25
5-First vein bare Paraphrissopoda T.
First vein bristled about half way ..... Tulaeopoda, gen. nov.
6 -First vein bristled about half way ..... 7
First vein bare ..... 12
7-Frontals not divergent, stopping practically at base of antennae ..... 8
Frontals diverging at least one bristle below base of antennae ..... 10
8-No median marginal macrochaetae on segment III .Andinoravinia, gen. nov.
Median marginals present on segment III. ..... 9
9-Parafacialia as broad as clypeus Argoravinia, gen. nov.
Parafacialia not as broad as clypeus . . . Chaetoravinia, gen. nov.
10-Strong, long, erect median marginals on segment II (patch ofthickly-placed hairs on edge of scutellum on each side ingenotype)Titanogrypa T.
No median marginals on segment II ..... 11
11-Outer vertical developed . . . . . . . . Sarcodexiopsis, gen. nov.
Outer vertical not sufficiently developed to contrast with occipito-orbital fringe ..... Helicobia Coq.
12-Frontals stopping practically at base of antennae, not diver- gent except as they follow frontalia ..... 13
Frontals diverging at least one bristle below base of antennae ..... 17
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13-Frontalia much narrowed posteriorly Agria RD.
Frontalia not or but very slightly narrowed posteriorly ..... 14
14-Vertex as wide as eye Miltoravinia, gen. nov.
Vertex at most scarcely over two-thirds as wide as eye ..... 15
15-Postsuturals three .....
Postsuturals four ..... 16
16-Median marginals absent or vestigial on segment III
Punasarcophaga T.
Median marginals present on segment III Euravinia, gen. nov.
17-Postsuturals three ..... 18
Postsuturals four, the front two more or less reduced ..... 19
18-Fifth sternite swollen and projected in profile like a button
Hypopelta Ald.
Fifth sternite normal
Fletcherimyia, gen. nov.
19-Outer verticals well developed; forceps minute (hind femoraand tibiae normally specialized for grasping the female inthe genotype)Thelylepticocnema T.
Outer verticals not well differentiated from occipito-orbital fringe ..... 20
20-Preacrostichals well developed, strong . . . . Kellymyia, gen. nov.Preacrostichals not well developed, at most very small orvestigial21
21-Frontalia not narrowed posteriorly ..... 22
Frontalia more or less narrowed posteriorly ..... 23
22-Strong median marginals on segment III Peltopyga, gen. nov.
No median marginals on segment III Spirobolomyia T.
23-Cheeks over two-fifths of eye-length . . Trixosarcophaga, gen. nov.Cheeks not over one-fourth of eye-length24
$24-$ Hypopygium small; forceps elongate and tapering . . Sarcodexia T.
Hypopygium rather large; forceps shortened and broadened apically, usually with a dorsal preapical spurOxysarcodexia, gen. nov.
25-Preacrostichals present, well developed ..... 26
Preacrostichals not well developed, at most very weak, small or vestigial ..... 30
26-Frontals not divergent, stopping close to base of antennae .
Sarothromyiops, gen. nov.
Frontals diverging at least one bristle below base of antennae ..... 27
27 -Hypopygium wide, flattened, boxlike, the second segment very elongate; forceps very short Zygastropyga, gen. nov.
Hypopygium not flattened and boxlike, the second segment not unusually long ..... 28
28-Strong erect median marginals on segment II . . . Mulsantia RD.No median marginals on segment II29
29-Facio-orbital row including 3 to 5 strong bristles below; ver-tex about one-half eye; cheeks about one-third eye-length,parafacialia about one-half width of clypeus; long strongmacrochaetae in median longitudinal row on outside ofhind femoraBoettcheria Pkr.
Facio-orbital row consisting of a bristle or two without hairsabove; vertex but little over one-fourth eye-width; cheeksabout one-fourth eye-length; parafacialia not one-thirdwidth of clypeus; at most a few median macrochaetae dis-tally on hind femora exteriorly . . . . Parasarcodexia, gen. nov.
30 -Postsuturals three ..... 31
Postsuturals two, with or without two more or less developed additional ones in front ..... 33
31-Strong median marginals on segment II (the front side of middle femora with a patch of yellow hairs distally in the genotype) Sarcotachinella T.
No median marginals on segment II ..... 32
$32-$ Outer verticals developed, strong ..... Bellieria RD.
Outer verticals not developed Bercaeopsis, gen. nov.
33-Parafacialia broader than clypeus; no facio-orbital row to be distinguished from the other hairs . . . . . . . Wohlfahrtiopsis T.
Parafacialia not as wide as clypeus ..... 34
34-Facio-orbital row including several strong bristles below ..... 35
Facio-orbital row consisting only of hairs at the most ..... 36
35-Vibrissal axis nearly equalling head-height; epistoma well projected beyond vibrissae; facialia bristled about half- way at most; cheeks over one-half eye-length . Sarcophaga Mg.
Vibrissal axis not over three-fourths of head-height; epistomaonly slightly projected: facialia normally bristled well overhalf-way; cheeks little over two-fifths eye-length
Sarraceniomyia, gen. nov.
36-Vertex about two-thirds as wide as eye . . . . . . . . Bercaea RD.Vertex at most but little exceeding one-half eye-width37
37-Onter vertical strong . . . . . . . . . . Prosthetocirca, gen. nov. Outer vertical not developed, vestigial . . Gigantotheca, gen. nov.
Females.
Abdomen wholly shining and without pollen Peckia RD.
Abdomen more or less pollinose ..... 2
2-Only one pair of proclinate fronto-orbitals ..... 3
Two or more pairs of proclinate fronto-orbitals ..... 4
3-First hypopygial tergite retractile Sarcophagula Wp.
First hypopygial tergite modified into a non-retractile perma- nent fifth visible segment of the abdomen Prosthetocirca, gen. nov.
4-No reclinate fronto-orbitals, usually three proclinates ..... Agria RD.
At least one reclinate fronto-orbital always present, procli- nates two ..... 5
5-First vein bristled about half way ..... 6
First vein bare ..... 12
6-Strong, long and erect median marginals on segment II (sides of scutellum with thick patches of hairs on edge be- tween lateral bristles in genotype) ..... Titanogrypa T.
Median marginals absent, vestigial or weak on segment II ..... 7
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7-Frontals not divergent, stopping practically at base of antennae ..... 8
Frontals diverging at least one bristle below base of antennae ..... 10
8-First hypopygial tergite incised on median line posteriorly, the hind edge of segment forming a wide vertical slit bor- dered with partly decussate bristles; parafacialia rather broader than clypeus Argoravinia, gen. nov.
First hypopygial tergite entire, not forming a vertical slit, parafacialia not as broad as clypeus ..... 9
9-Vibrissal axis not over two-thirds of head-heightChaetoravinia, gen. nov.
Vibrissal axis fully three-fourths of head-height
Andinoravinia, gen. nov.10-Vibrissal axis only a little shorter than head-heightTulaeopoda, gen. nov.
Vibrissal axis about or but little over two-thirds of head-height ..... 11
11-Two reclinate fronto-orbitals Helicobia Coq.
Only one reclinate fronto-orbital Sarcodexiopsis, gen. nov.
12-Postsuturals three ..... 13
Postsuturals two or four ..... 20
13-Frontals not divergent, stopping practically at base of antennae ..... 14
Frontals diverging at least one or two bristles below base of antennae ..... 15
14-Costal spine strong ..... Sarothromyia BB.
Costal spine absent ..... Ravinia RD.
15-First hypopygial tergite excised or scooped out on disk ..... 16
First hypopygial tergite not excised or scooped out on disk ..... 17
16-Strong median marginals on segment II (yellow hair patch on outside of middle femora distally in genotype) Sarcotachinella T.
No median marginals on segment II Bellieria RD.
17-Two reclinate fronto-orbitals; costal spine strong, longer than small crossvein Hypopelta Ald.
Only one reclinate fronto-orbital; costal spine weak, short or vestigial, not as long as small crossvein ..... 18
18-First hypopygial tergite incised on median line posteriorly, the hind edge of segment forming a vertical slit bordered with partly decussate bristles Bercaeopsis, gen. nov.
First hypopygial tergite entire ..... 19
19-Facio-orbitals consisting of row of fine hairs; lateral scutel- lars two; median longitudinal row of macrochaetae on outside of hind femora reduced to small bristles on basal half Fletcherimyia, gen. nov.
Facio-orbital row including several strong bristles below;lateral scutellars three; normally a median longitudinalrow of long strong macrochaetae on outside of hind femorafor most of its length . . . . . . . . . . . . . Boettcheria Park.
20-Preacrostichals present, well developed ..... 21
Preacrostichals absent or vestigial, not well developed ..... 24

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21-Frontals not diverging, stopping practically at base of antennae ..... 22
Frontals diverging at least one bristle below base of antennae ..... 23
22-Cheeks well over one-half eye-length in breadth
Miltoravinia, gel. nov.
Cheeks less than one-half eye-length in breadth
Euravinia, gen. nov.
23-First hypopygial tergite entire, the disk with a double impression as though scooped out on each side of median line in a subtransverse oval . . . . . . . . Kellymyia, gen. nov. First hypopygial tergite incised on median line posteriorly, without discal excavation or impression Zygastropyga, gen. nov.
24-First hypopygial tergite entire, neither incised nor excised ..... 25
First hypypygial tergite either incised or excised ..... 30
25-Facio-orbital row including coarse strong hairs or weak bris-tles below, contrasted with the hairs in line above them . .Spirobolomyia T.
Facio-orbital row consisting entirely of short or weak hairs, or vestigial ..... 26
26-First hypopygial tergite transversely dished like a wide shal- low groove ..... 27
First hypopygial tergite not dished ..... 28
27 -Theca immensely broad as well as elongate, nearly as broadbasally as long; palpi greatly swollen apicallyGigantotheca, gen, nov.
Theca not unusually broad; palpi normal . . Umbelusía, gen. nov.28-Strong median marginals on segment III; first hypopygialtergite shield-like, broad, with disk directed posteriorly

Peltopyga, gen. nov.
Median marginals absent or vestigial on segment III . ..... 2929-Parafacialia about or nearly as wide as clypeus; first hypo-pygial tergite strongly crescentic in outline, not flattened
Trixosarcophaga, gen. nov.
Parafacialia only a little over half as wide as clypeus; firsthypopygial tergite more or less flattened and concealed.
Oxysarcodexia, gen. nov.
30-Parafacialia broader than clypeusWohlfahrtiopsis T.
Parafacialia not as wide as clypeus ..... 31
31-Arista long-plumose nearly or practically to tip ; or, if some- times short of tip, the eyes large and cheeks scarcely ex- ceeding at most one-fourth eye-length in breadth ..... 32
Arista plumose not over three-fourths way, the cheeks fully or over one-third eye-length ..... 3332-Frontalia broader than parafrontalia in middle; cheeksnearly one-half eye-length in width; first hypopygial ter-gite showing posteriorly a vertical slit bordered with partlydecussate spines, its disk broadly scooped ont . Paraphrissopoda T.Frontalia scarcely as wide as parafrontalia in middle; cheeksabout one-fourth eye-length; first hypopygial tergite foldedbut not slit on median line

33-Facio-orbital row consisting only of hairs . . . . . . . Bereaea RD.
Facio-orbital row including three to five strong bristles below 34
34 -Vibrissal axis nearly equal to head-height; epistoma well projected beyond vibrissae; cheeks over one-half eye-length; parafacialia only a little narrower than clypeus . Sarcophaga Mg.
Vibrissal axis not over three-fourths of head-height; epistoma but little projected; cheeks only about one-third of eyelength; parafacialia at most little over half width of clypeus

Sarraceniomyia, gen. nov.
Genotypes of the New Genera.
Andinoravinia, A. rufipes, n. sp.
Argoravinia, Sarcophaga argentea T., Proc. U. S. N. M., vol. 43, 358 (1912).

Bercaeopsis, Sarcophaga tetra Ald., Sarc. \& Allies, 89 (1916).
Chaetoravinia, Helicobia quadrisetosa Coq., Ent. News, XII, 17 (1901).
Euravinia, Ravinia communis Park., Proc. Bost. Soc. N. H., vol. 35, 55 (1914).
Fletcherimyia, Sarcophaga fletcheri Ald., Sarc. \& Allies, 96 (1916).
Gigantotheca, G. galapagensis, n. sp.
Kellymyia, Sarcophaga kellyi Ald., Jn. Ag. Res., II, 443.
Miltoravinia, Sarcophaga planifrons Ald., Sarc. \& Allies, 249 (1916).
Oxysarcodexia, Sarcophaga peltata Ald., Sarc. \& Allies, 216 (1916).
Parasarcodexia, Sarcophaga parkeri Ald., Sarc. \& Allies, 78 (1916).
Peltopyga, Sarcophaga celarata Ald.. Sarc. \& Allies, 242 (1916).
Prosthetocirca, P. cana, n. sp.
Sarcodexiopsis, Sarcophaga biseriata Ald., Sarc. \& Allies, 153 (1916).
Sarothromyiops, S. cinctus, n. sp.
Sarraceniomyia, Sarcophaga sarraceniae Riley, Tr. Ac. Sc. St. L., III, 238.

Trixosarcophaga, Sarcophaga aurigena T., Proc. U. S. N. M., vol. 43, 357-8 (1912).
Tulaeopoda, Sarcophaga pervillosa Ald., Sarc. \& Allies, 92 (1916).
Umbelusia, U. analis, n. sp.
Zygastropyga, Z. aurea, n. sp.

## Descriptions of the New Species.

Zygastropyga aurea, new species.
Length of body, 8 to 9 mm .; of wing, 6.75 to 7 mm . One male and one female. Tempe, Arizona; Webster, No. 11,942 (V. L. Wildermuth). The female bears label "Allotype No. 20,550 U. S. N. M.," referred to by Aldrich as single female of S. sulculata Ald. from Kansas (Sarc. \& Allies, 2255 ). Holotype, No. 21,574 U. S. N. M., male.
Differs from sulculata Ald. by the broader abdomen; broader male hypopygium, the deeper median fossa of second hypopygial segment; the distinctly golden pollen of head, and the brassy shade to pollen of rest of body.

## Andinoravinia rufipes, new species.

Length of body, 8 to 9 mm .; of wing, 7.5 to 8 mm . One female, Huariaca, canyon of the Rio Huallaga, Peru, 10,750 ft., December 20, 1913 (Townsend). One male and one female, Matucana, Peru, 8,000 ft., May 1, 1914 (Townsend). Holotype, No. 21,575 U. S. N. M., being the female from Huariaca.

Blackish ; rather densely clothed with old-gold pollen, except the tarsi, head appendages, frontalia and abdominal marmoration. Legs rufous, except the black tarsi. Frontalia black, parafrontals blackish posteriorly. Antenuae blackish, first two joints rufous. Palpi rufous-yellow. Thoracic vittae brown, changing to brownish-gold when their pollinose covering is viewed from the front. Marmorate markings of abdomen black, in form of broken narrow median vitta and oblique curved marks on each side. Hypopygium rufous. Tegulae whitish-tawny, faintly yellowish infuscate. In the male the median abdominal vitta is entire.

## Prosthetocirca cana, new species.

Length of body, 5 to 8.5 mm .; of wing, 4 to 7 mm . One male and one female, Narborough Is., Galapagos, January 13 and 26, 1899; two males and two females, Albemarle Is., Galapagos, January 1 to 18, 1899. Holotype, No. 21,576 U. S. N. M., female from Narborough Is. Allotype, male from Albemarle Is.
Blackish, densely ash-silvery pollinose. Frontalia and thoracic vittae black to brown. Antennae blackish. Palpi rufous, shaded with black. Hind edge of abdominal segments black, rather shining; in the male the black shows a median vitta, and a linking of the lateral markings on last two segments. Hypopygium black. Tegulae rather infuscate, the front scale whitish.

Gigantotheca galapagensis, new species.
Length of body, 6.5 to 9.5 mm .; of wing, 5.5 to 8.5 mm . Two males and two females, Albemarle Is., Galapagos, Jannary 18, 1899. Holotype, No. 21,577 U. S. N. M. ; female.

Coloring very similar in general effect to the preceding species, differing as follows: Palpi black, the extreme base rufous. Hypopygium rufous. Tegulae white. The lateral abdominal markings are more distinctly linked up into lateral vittae of irregular outline, the curved links especially definite in male.

## Sarothromyiops cinctus, new species.

Length of body, 10 mm . ; of wing, 8.5 mm . One male, Culpepper Is., Galapagos, December 10, 1898. Holotype, No. 21,578 U. S. N. M.

Black; densely silvery pollinose, the pollen with less of an ashy shade. Palpi faintly rufous. Antennae and frontalia blackish. Thoracic vittae black to brown. Hind margins of abdominal segments and narrow
median vitta black, brown pollinose. Hypopygium black, silvery pollinose, tawny at base of forceps and in middle of hind margin of first segment. No linking of marginal black into lateral abdominal vitta, but a faint darker shade shows laterally under the thick silvery pollen. Tegulae white.

I can identify none of the above Galapagos forms with Sarcophaga inoa Walker, List IV, 832.

Umbelusia analis, new species.
Length of body, 10.5 mm . ; of wing, 9 mm . One female, Umbelusi, East Africa, " 5. 3. 09" (C. W. Howard). Holotype, No. 21,579 U. S. N. M.

Black, including antennae, palpi, frontalia, vittae, abdominal markings, and legs. Hypopygium reddish-yellow. Pollen silvery-ashy. Besides the abdominal marmorations, deep black shows in narrow median vitta and in heavy broken lateral vittae. Parafrontals blackish posteriorly. Parafacials transversely corrugated. Tegulae white.


